IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Norfolk Division

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JTH TAX, INC. d/b/a LIBERTY TAX SERVICE

Plaintiff,

v. **Civil Action No. 2:07cv169**

JEROME REED

Defendant.

ORDER

Plaintiff JTH Tax, Inc. d/b/a Liberty Tax Service filed its complaint in this matter on April 12, 2007. A summons was returned executed as to defendant Jerome Reed ("Reed") on April 26, 2007. More than twenty (20) days have passed since Reed was served with process. However, as of the date of this order, Reed has not filed an appearance in this matter, nor has this court granted any extensions. Unfortunately, attorneys do not run this court, and civil actions can not be permitted to languish.

The parties in the above-styled action are hereby **ORDERED** to appear before Judge Robert G. Doumar in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Norfolk Division, on Wednesday, September 19, 2007 at 10:00 AM for a hearing. The hearing will determine whether to enter default judgment for the plaintiff pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 55 or dismiss the case for failure to prosecute pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(b).

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The Clerk of the Court is **DIRECTED** to fax and forward copies of this Order to counsel of record for all parties.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

August 28, 2007
Norfolk, Virginia